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Mr. Robert L. Steele
Representative
Interstate Brick Corp.
1075 North 400 East
Nephi, Utha 84648

Re: Interstate Brick Corp.
Koosharem Clay Pit
Piute County, Utah
ACT/031/002

Dear Mr. Steele:

Thank you for submitting the requested information concerning termination of operations and reclamation of the Koosharem Clay Pit in Piute County. The Division has also received a letter from the U.S. Forest Service dated December 1, 1978 releasing Interstate Brick from its obligations on that land managed by the Forest Service.

Since Mr. Don Fullmer desires that the pits remain open for possible future development, the partial reclamation performed by Interstate Brick is acceptable to the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining. However, the Division of State Lands requires that a reclamation bond be posted to cover total reclamation of that portion of the operation located on State land (Sec. 2, T. 27S., R. 2W.) comprising approximately seven (7) acres of surface disturbance. Mr. Fullmer, as the lease holder, will be required to submit a bond to cover the costs for total reclamation of this area while operations are suspended. If he does not post said bond which is estimated to be \$4,548.00, then Interstate Brick, as the former operator, will be required to either post that amount of surety or perform total reclamation of the area involving State land. However, the Division does not foresee any problems with Mr. Fullmer posting the required surety.

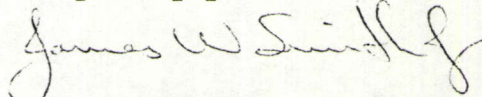
As a point of interest, the U.S. Forest Service does not have jurisdiction on State-owned land, therefore, representatives of that agency cannot release an operator from their responsibilities involving State land without the Division's consent. The Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining allows the U.S. Forest Service to hold the reclamation surety for operations involving joint land ownership to avoid double-bonding by the operator.

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May we suggest, to eliminate future misunderstandings, that all mining and associated reclamation plans be presented to this Division prior to commencement of any activity as required under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act. Please feel free to call or visit if you have any questions or require any assistance.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. Smith, Jr.", written in dark ink.

JAMES W. SMITH, JR.
RECLAMATION SOILS SPECIALIST

JWS/sp
cc: John Blake, State Lands
enc: Utah Mined Land
Reclamation Act